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September 21, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED WATER RATE INCREASES, TIERED-WATER
RATE STRUCTURE, AND INCREASES IN THE WATER SUPPLY CHARGES FOR
LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 29, MALIBU
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING
ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 29, MALIBU:**

1. Find that the implementation of the proposed tiered-water rate structure and increases in water rate and Water Supply Charges are statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. Adopt the enclosed Resolution (Attachment A) approving the proposed tiered-water rate structure, and increases in water rates and Water Supply Charges for the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 29, Malibu.
3. Adopt the Amendments to the District's Rules and Regulations (Attachment B) to reflect the above-referenced actions.

4. Instruct the Director of Public Works or his designee to review the above charges before January 1 of every year and make a recommendation to your Board to adjust these charges accordingly.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to increase the District's water rates by eight percent to fund the District's operation and maintenance costs and capital improvement projects. The District's water rates were last increased in 1996. Specifically, the proposed rate increase is needed to offset: 1) a 10 percent increase in the cost of purchased water from the West Basin Municipal Water District; 2) a 20 percent increase in power costs; and 3) a 23.5 percent increase in the District's operation and maintenance costs.

We proposed to increase the Construction Facilities Surcharge from \$0.25 to \$0.50 per hundred cubic feet. The Surcharge was last increased in 1993. The increase is needed to: 1) offset a 47 percent increase in the Los Angeles Region Construction Cost Index since 1993; and 2) fund a new water supply connection with the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California water system that will provide the District with constant water pressure during summer high-demand periods.

We propose to implement a tiered-water rate structure to promote water conservation in the District, an approach that has been implemented by 64 other water agencies signatory to the California Urban Water Conservation Council Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Urban Water Conservation in California. On March 5, 1996, your Board authorized the Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts to become signatory to the Memorandum of Understanding that requires the District to implement 14 Best Management Practices that include tiered-water rate structure to promote water conservation by December 31, 2008.

The District's water rate will consist of three tiers, conservation tier, normal tier, and excessive tier. The tiered structure is designed such that approximately 90 percent of the District's customers' water use falls in either the conservation tier or the normal tier. Only ten percent of customers will be charged the excessive tier rate for the incremental amount of water above the normal tier limit. The quantities of water allowed in each tier will be adjusted in summers and winters to reflect the seasonal variation in demand.

We have proposed to increase the Water Supply Charges for new developments and service connections by 80 percent. These charges have not been increased since 1986, and the increases are needed to offset increases in the costs of engineering design, labor and material.

On July 31, 2006, we sent notices to the District's customers informing them of the proposed tiered-water rate structure and increases and inviting them to a community meeting on August 10, 2006. Ten people attended the meeting. We also received and responded to six letters protesting the water rate increases.

In compliance with a recent Proposition 218 Case Law, we sent a second notice to the District's customers on September 5, 2006, notifying them of the required protest hearing scheduled during your Board's public hearing on October 24, 2006 (Attachment C).

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goals of Financial Responsibility and Service Excellence. The additional funding will provide sufficient funds for the operation and maintenance of the District's water system and allow us to provide the District's customers with reliable, high-quality drinking water supply.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County's General Fund.

The increases in the water rates will generate an additional annual revenue of approximately \$398,000 in Fiscal Year 2006-07 and \$1,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2007-08 for the District's General Fund N32. The increase in the Surcharge will generate an additional annual revenue of approximately \$342,000 in Fiscal Year 2006-07 and \$863,000 in Fiscal Year 2007-08 for the District's Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund N33. The increases in the Water Supply Charges for new development and connections will depend on the customer's growth in the District and are estimated to generate approximately \$500,000 annually in additional fees in the District's Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund N33.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Your Board is authorized to modify and increase the water rates, surcharges, and Water Supply Charges pursuant to Section 55501 of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District Law, Water Code Section 55000, et. seq. Adoption of this Resolution will revise the District's Rules and Regulations adopted pursuant to Section 55333 of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District Law.

Under Government Code Section 66013, the existing Water Supply Charges are referred to as either "Capacity Charges" or fees for "water connection" (collectively referred to herein-below as Capacity Charges).

Under Government Code Sections 66013 and 66016, without voter approval, the Capacity Charges being proposed to be increased and/or adopted cannot exceed the estimated reasonable cost of providing the service for which they are imposed. Therefore, in compliance with Government Code Section 66013, the District established the amount of the increase in existing and new Capacity Charges so as to not exceed the estimated reasonable costs of providing the service for which the fees are imposed.

Consistent with the requirements of Section 66016 of the Government Code, the actions described herein may only be ordered after a public hearing. Government Code Sections 66018 and 6062a also require that notice of the hearing be mailed to all interested parties who file a written request for such and that the notice of the time and place of the hearing be published two times in a newspaper of general circulation within a ten-day period with at least five intervening days. The County Counsel has reviewed the proposed Resolution and the enclosed Notice of Public Hearing and approved them as to form.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

These actions and the proposed Resolution amending the District's Rules and Regulations are to fund the operating and maintenance costs and fund capital improvement projects necessary to maintain water service within existing service areas and are, therefore, exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 21080(b)(8) of the Public Resources Code and Section 15723(a) of the CEQA Guidelines. When the exact location and physical parameters are determined for the water system capital projects contemplated by some of these fees, additional environmental documentation will be prepared, as appropriate, for each said individual project.


IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no impact on current County services or projects as a result of this action.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval, please return one adopted copy of this letter and the Resolution to Public Works, Waterworks and Sewer Maintenance Division.

Respectfully submitted,

for 
DONALD L WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel

ATTACHMENT A

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICTS,
APPROVING WATER RATE INCREASES, NEW TIERED-WATER RATE
STRUCTURE, AND INCREASES IN THE WATER CAPACITY CHARGES FOR
LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 29, MALIBU (DISTRICT)**

WHEREAS, the District provides potable water service to approximately 7,500 customers located within the City of Malibu and community of Topanga Canyon; and

WHEREAS, the District's water rates were last increased in 1996; and

WHEREAS, during that period, the District's cost to purchase water from West Basin Municipal Water District has increased by approximately ten percent, which is the District's sole source of water; and

WHEREAS, during that period, the District's power costs have increased by 20 percent; and

WHEREAS, during that period, the District's operation and maintenance costs have increased by 23.5 percent; and

WHEREAS, during that period, the District's costs have also increased due to more stringent water quality standards and due to providing a higher level of water security monitoring; and

WHEREAS, the District's fund balance has been reduced below adequate levels to provide for emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the District therefore proposes to increase the water rates by eight percent to offset the increased costs as described above; and

WHEREAS, the District's Construction Facilities Surcharge was last increased in 1993; and

WHEREAS, during that period the Construction Cost Index has increased by 47 percent; and

WHEREAS, the District needs to fund a new water supply connection to provide constant water pressure to the District during high-demand periods; and

WHEREAS, the District therefore proposes to increase the Construction Facilities Surcharge from \$0.25 to \$0.50 per hundred cubic feet of water; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles authorized the Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Urban Water Conservation in California (MOU) on March 5, 1996, which requires the District to implement 14 Best Management Practices (BMPs) to promote water conservation by December 31, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the tiered-water rate structure is an effective tool to encourage efficient water use and is consistent with BMP No. 11, Conservation Pricing, included in the MOU; and

WHEREAS, the Water Supply Charges for new developments and connections to the system have not be increased since 1986; and

WHEREAS, during that period the costs of engineering design, and labor and material have been increased by 80 percent; and

WHEREAS, the District therefore proposes to increase these charges to offset the increase in these costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 29, Malibu, does hereby approve the following: 1) increases in customers' water rates and surcharges; 2) implementation of a new tiered-rate structure for water conservation; and 3) increase the Water Supply Charges as these are contained in the attached Amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts (Attachment B) to become effective 30 days after approval of this Resolution.

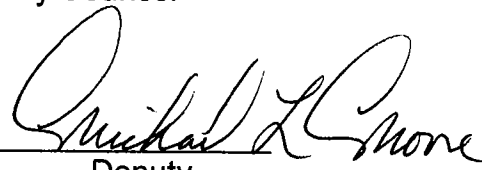
The foregoing Resolution was on the ____ day of _____, 2006, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 29, Malibu.

SACHI A. HAMAI
Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of
the County of Los Angeles

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.
County Counsel

By  _____
Deputy

ATTACHMENT B

SECTION 1. Rule 1-A-50 of Part 1 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts is hereby amended as follows:

1-A-50 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (TANK CAPACITY UNIT) CHARGE: The charge for participation in the construction of additional water storage and other water facilities that is to be charged to all future development in Waterworks District Nos. 29 and 40 in addition to the Capital Improvement (acreage) Charges and any other charges of the District. The Tank Capacity Unit Charge is to be determined by using the chart shown in Rule 4-A-1u and the amount per tank capacity unit set forth in Rules 4-A-1b and 4-A-1k.

SECTION 2. Rule 2-A-16a of Part 2 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District is hereby amended to read as follows:

2-A-16a TIERED-RATE STRUCTURE

The QUANTITY CHARGE for District No. 29, shall be separated into 3 tiers, namely the CONSERVATION USE CHARGE, NORMAL USE CHARGE, and EXCESSIVE USE CHARGE.

During summer months (three consecutive two month billing cycles), the CONSERVATION USE CHARGE shall apply to each 100 cubic feet of water used in excess of the monthly allowance, but less than or equal to 2,000 cubic feet per billing unit.

During summer months (three consecutive two month billing cycles), the NORMAL USE CHARGE shall apply to each 100 cubic feet of water used in excess of 2,000 cubic feet per billing unit, but less than or equal to 5,000 cubic feet per billing unit

During summer months (three consecutive two month billing cycles), the EXCESSIVE USE CHARGE shall apply to each 100 cubic feet of water used in excess of 5,000 cubic feet.

During winter months (three consecutive two month billing cycles), the CONSERVATION USE CHARGE shall apply to each 100 cubic feet of water used in excess of the monthly allowance, but less than or equal to 1,500 cubic feet per billing unit.

During winter months (three consecutive two month billing cycles), the NORMAL USE CHARGE shall apply to each 100 cubic feet of water used in excess of 1,500 cubic feet per billing unit, but less than or equal to 3,500 cubic feet per billing unit.

During winter months (three consecutive two month billing cycles), the EXCESSIVE USE CHARGE for each 100 cubic feet of water used in excess of 3,500 cubic feet per billing unit.

2-A-16b WATER SOLD TO CUSTOMERS WITHIN THE 2954 SERVICE ZONE:

RATE SCHEDULE 2954

| Meter Size | Billing Units | Monthly Allowance 100 Cu. Ft. | Monthly Service Charge | Monthly Service Charge |
|------------|---------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 5/8"x3/4" | 1 | 5 | \$17.17 | \$ <u>18.54</u> |
| 3/4" | 1 | 5 | 17.17 | <u>18.54</u> |
| 3/4"x1" | 1 | 5 | 17.17 | <u>18.54</u> |
| 1" | 2 | 10 | 34.34 | <u>37.08</u> |
| 1 1/2" | 3 | 15 | 51.51 | <u>55.63</u> |
| 2" | 5 | 25 | 85.85 | <u>92.71</u> |
| 2 1/2" | 7 | 35 | 120.19 | <u>129.80</u> |
| 3" | 11 | 55 | 188.87 | <u>203.97</u> |
| 4" | 17 | 85 | 291.89 | <u>315.24</u> |
| 6" | 33 | 165 | 566.61 | <u>611.93</u> |
| 8" | 53 | 265 | 910.01 | <u>982.81</u> |
| 10" | 77 | 385 | 1,322.09 | <u>1427.85</u> |
| 12" | 100 | 500 | 1,717.00 | <u>1854.36</u> |

SERVICE CHARGE per month for meter sizes other than shown above, the charge per billing unit is~~\$17.17~~ \$18.54.

~~QUANTITY CHARGE for each 100 cubic feet of water used in a month in excess of the monthly allowance is \$3.23.~~

CONSERVATION USE CHARGE is\$3.14

NORMAL USE CHARGE is \$3.66

EXCESSIVE USE CHARGE is \$5.23

Service Charge includes 500 cubic feet of water per billing unit per month.

See Rule 2-A-16o for Facilities Construction Surcharge.

The District Engineer will annually review the above water rate schedule and make recommendation to the Board for adjustment on January 1.

SECTION 3. Rule 2-A-16b of Part 2 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District is hereby amended to read as follows:

2-A-16c WATER SOLD TO CUSTOMERS WITHIN DISTRICT; EAST MALIBU PUMPED ZONE-METERED SERVICE: (includes Big Rock Mesa, Las Flores Mesa, Hume Tract, and Sunset Mesa areas).

BRN 29-57 RATE SCHEDULE 2957

| Meter Size | Billing Units | Monthly Allowance 100 Cu. Ft. | Monthly Service Charge | Monthly Service Charge |
|------------|---------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 5/8"x3/4" | 1 | 5 | \$17.17 | \$ 18.54 |
| 3/4" | 1 | 5 | 17.17 | 18.54 |
| 3/4"x1" | 1 | 5 | 17.17 | 18.54 |
| 1" | 2 | 10 | 34.34 | 37.08 |
| 1 1/2" | 3 | 15 | 51.51 | 55.63 |
| 2" | 5 | 25 | 85.85 | 92.71 |
| 2 1/2" | 7 | 35 | 120.19 | 129.80 |
| 3" | 11 | 55 | 188.87 | 203.97 |
| 4" | 17 | 85 | 291.89 | 315.24 |
| 6" | 33 | 165 | 566.61 | 611.93 |
| 8" | 53 | 265 | 910.01 | 982.81 |
| 10" | 77 | 385 | 1,322.09 | 1427.85 |
| 12" | 100 | 500 | 1,717.00 | 1854.36 |

SERVICE CHARGE per month for meter sizes other than shown above, the charge per billing unit is~~\$17.17~~ \$18.54.

~~QUANTITY CHARGE for each 100 cubic feet of water used in a month in excess of the monthly allowance is \$3.38.~~

CONSERVATION USE CHARGE is\$3.29

NORMAL USE CHARGE is \$3.83

EXCESSIVE USE CHARGE is \$5.48

Service Charge includes 500 cubic feet of water per billing unit per month.

See Rule 2-A-16o for Facilities Construction Surcharge.

The District Engineer will annually review the above water rate schedule and make recommendation to the Board for adjustment on January 1.

SECTION 4. Rule 2-A-16d of Part 2 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District is hereby amended to read as follows:

2-A-16e WATER SOLD TO CUSTOMERS WITHIN DISTRICT; TOPANGA PUMPED ZONE-METERED SERVICE: (includes Topanga Canyon, Tuna Canyon, and Saddle Peak areas).

BRN 26-60 RATE SCHEDULE 2960

| Meter Size | Billing Units | Monthly Allowance 100 Cu. Ft. | Monthly Service Charge | Monthly Service Charge |
|------------|---------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 5/8"x3/4" | 1 | 5 | \$17.17 | \$ 18.54 |
| 3/4" | 1 | 5 | 17.17 | 18.54 |
| 3/4"x1" | 1 | 5 | 17.17 | 18.54 |
| 1" | 2 | 10 | 34.34 | 37.08 |
| 1 1/2" | 3 | 15 | 51.51 | 55.63 |
| 2" | 5 | 25 | 85.85 | 92.71 |
| 2 1/2" | 7 | 35 | 120.19 | 129.80 |
| 3" | 11 | 55 | 188.87 | 203.97 |
| 4" | 17 | 85 | 291.89 | 315.24 |
| 6" | 33 | 165 | 566.61 | 611.93 |
| 8" | 53 | 265 | 910.01 | 982.81 |
| 10" | 77 | 385 | 1,322.09 | 1427.85 |
| 12" | 100 | 500 | 1,717.00 | 1854.36 |

SERVICE CHARGE per month for meter sizes other than shown above, the charge per billing unit is~~\$17.17~~ \$18.54.

~~QUANTITY CHARGE for each 100 cubic feet of water used in a month in excess of the monthly allowance is \$3.42.~~

CONSERVATION USE CHARGE is\$3.32

NORMAL USE CHARGE is\$3.87

EXCESSIVE USE CHARGE is\$5.54

Service Charge includes 500 cubic feet of water per billing unit per month.

See Rule 2-A-16o for Facilities Construction Surcharge.

The District Engineer will annually review the above water rate schedule and make recommendation to the Board for adjustment on January 1.

SECTION 5. Rule 2-A-16e of Part 2 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District is hereby amended to read as follows:

2-A-16f WATER SOLD TO CUSTOMERS WITHIN THE DISTRICT; AREA OF RANCO TOPANGA-MALIBU SEQUIT:

BRN 29-62 RATE SCHEDULE 2962

| Meter Size | Billing Units | Monthly Allowance 100 Cu. Ft. | Monthly Service Charge | Monthly Service Charge |
|------------|---------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 5/8"x3/4" | 1 | 5 | \$17.17 | \$ <u>18.54</u> |
| 3/4" | 1 | 5 | 17.17 | <u>18.54</u> |
| 3/4"x1" | 1 | 5 | 17.17 | <u>18.54</u> |
| 1" | 2 | 10 | 34.34 | <u>37.08</u> |
| 1 1/2" | 3 | 15 | 51.51 | <u>55.63</u> |
| 2" | 5 | 25 | 85.85 | <u>92.71</u> |
| 2 1/2" | 7 | 35 | 120.19 | <u>129.80</u> |
| 3" | 11 | 55 | 188.87 | <u>203.97</u> |
| 4" | 17 | 85 | 291.89 | <u>315.24</u> |
| 6" | 33 | 165 | 566.61 | <u>611.93</u> |
| 8" | 53 | 265 | 910.01 | <u>982.81</u> |
| 10" | 77 | 385 | 1,322.09 | <u>1427.85</u> |
| 12" | 100 | 500 | 1,717.00 | <u>1854.36</u> |

SERVICE CHARGE per month for meter sizes other than shown above, the charge per billing unit is~~\$17.17~~ \$18.54.

~~QUANTITY CHARGE for each 100 cubic feet of water used in a month in excess of the monthly allowance is \$3.42.~~

CONSERVATION USE CHARGE is\$3.32

NORMAL USE CHARGE is\$3.87

EXCESSIVE USE CHARGE is\$5.54

Service Charge includes 500 cubic feet of water per billing unit per month.

See Rule 2-A-16o for Facilities Construction Surcharge.

The District Engineer will annually review the above water rate schedule and make recommendation to the Board for adjustment on January 1.

SECTION 6. Rule 2-A-16g of Part 2 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District is hereby amended to read as follows:

2-A-16g WATER SOLD TO CUSTOMERS OUTSIDE DISTRICT:

RATE SCHEDULES

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WATER SOLD TO CUSTOMERS OUTSIDE DISTRICT: The total monthly charge shall be "inside the District total charge for the applicable water service area," increased by fifty percent (50%).

SECTION 7. Rule 2-A-16m of Part 2 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District is hereby amended to read as follows:

2-A-16m WATER SOLD TO CUSTOMERS PARTLY INSIDE AND PARTLY OUTSIDE DISTRICT:

RATE SCHEDULE 2965

WATER SOLD TO CUSTOMERS PARTLY INSIDE AND PARTLY OUTSIDE DISTRICT: The total monthly charge shall be the "inside the District total charge for the applicable water service area," increased by twenty-five percent (25%).

SECTION 8. Rule 2-A-16o of Part 2 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District is hereby amended to read as follows:

2-A-16o **SURCHARGE FOR FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION:** The Service Charge shall be increased by the amount of \$1.25 per billing unit per month.

The Quantity Charge shall be increased by the amount of ~~\$0.25~~ \$0.50 per each 100 cubic-feet of water consumed in excess of the service charge allowance.

Revenues derived from the Service Charge and Quantity Charge Surcharges for Facilities Construction shall be deposited in the District's Accumulative Capital Fund and shall be used exclusively for the construction of new water system facilities for the replacement of older facilities including the improvement of the water system.

SECTION 9. Rule 3-A-4a of Part 3 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts is hereby amended as follows:

3-A-4a LOCAL SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT CHARGE, WATER SERVICE FROM AN EXISTING FRONTING WATER MAIN: For premises to be served with water service from existing adequate capacity water main(s) of the District, one of the following charges shall apply.

FOR ALL WATERWORKS DISTRICTS, EXCEPT WATERWORKS DISTRICT NOS. 29 AND 40

| Size of Water Main Inches | Range of Fire Flow Required & Available GPM | | Charge per Benefited Front Foot of the Applicant's Premises |
|---------------------------|---|----------|---|
| Under 6 | to | 750 | \$ 14.61 |
| 6 | | to 750 | \$ 15.88 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 16.49 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 17.20 |
| 8 | | to 750 | \$ 18.42 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 19.02 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 19.80 |
| | 1,751 | to 2,250 | 20.85 |

| Size of Water Main Inches | Range of Fire Flow Required & Available GPM | | Charge per Benefited Front Foot of the Applicant's Premises |
|---------------------------------|---|----------|---|
| 10 | | to 750 | \$ 22.27 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 22.83 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 23.60 |
| | 1,751 | to 2,250 | 24.70 |
| | 2,251 | to 2,750 | 26.07 |
| | 2,751 | to 3,250 | 26.63 |
| 12 | | to 750 | \$ 27.34 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 27.95 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 28.67 |
| | 1,751 | to 2,250 | 29.77 |
| | 2,251 | to 2,750 | 31.15 |
| | 2,751 | to 3,250 | 31.72 |
| | 3,251 | to 3,750 | 33.74 |
| | 3,751 | to 4,250 | 34.23 |
| 14 | | to 750 | \$ 34.18 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 34.67 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 35.28 |
| | 1,751 | to 2,250 | 36.33 |
| | 2,251 | to 2,750 | 37.38 |
| | 2,751 | to 3,250 | 38.15 |
| | 3,251 | to 3,750 | 40.52 |
| | 3,751 | to 4,250 | 41.13 |
| 16 | | to 750 | \$ 41.01 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 41.62 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 42.34 |
| | 1,751 | to 2,250 | 43.61 |
| | 2,251 | to 2,750 | 44.88 |
| | 2,751 | to 3,250 | 45.81 |
| | 3,251 | to 3,750 | 48.63 |
| | 3,751 | to 4,250 | 49.41 |
| 16 | 4,251 | to 5,000 | 51.16 |

| Size of Water Main Inches | Range of Fire Flow Required & Available GPM | Charge per Benefited Front Foot of the Applicant's Premises |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
|---------------------------------|---|---|

| | | | |
|----|-------|----------|----------|
| 18 | | to 750 | \$ 49.23 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 49.95 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 50.83 |
| | 1,751 | to 2,250 | 52.31 |
| | 2,251 | to 2,750 | 53.86 |
| | 2,751 | to 3,250 | 54.96 |
| | 3,251 | to 3,750 | 58.38 |
| | 3,751 | to 4,250 | 59.26 |
| | 4,251 | to 5,000 | 61.42 |

| | | | |
|----|-------|----------|----------|
| 20 | | to 750 | \$ 59.10 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 59.93 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 60.98 |
| | 1,751 | to 2,250 | 62.79 |
| | 2,251 | to 2,750 | 64.61 |
| | 2,751 | to 3,250 | 65.93 |
| | 3,251 | to 3,750 | 70.02 |
| | 3,751 | to 4,250 | 71.06 |
| | 4,251 | to 5,000 | 73.65 |

The charges for pipe sizes or fire flows different than listed herein will be based on an engineering estimate of costs. Where the existing fronting water main has more capacity than will be needed to satisfy the domestic and fire protection service requirements of a proposed development, said development shall be responsible to pay the charge for only the Local System Improvement (frontage) Charge for the fire and domestic flow demand and the size of pipe necessary to meet said demands.

FOR WATERWORKS DISTRICT NOS. 29, MALIBU AND 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY

| Size of Water Main Inches | Range of Fire Flow Required & Available GPM | Charge per Benefited Front Foot of the Applicant's Premises |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
|---------------------------------|---|---|

| | | |
|---------|--------|----------|
| Under 6 | to 750 | \$ 25.42 |
|---------|--------|----------|

| 6 | | to | 750 | \$ 27.63 |
|---------------------------------|---|----|---|----------|
| | 751 | to | 1,250 | 28.69 |
| | 1,251 | to | 1,750 | 29.93 |
| Size of Water Main Inches | Range of Fire Flow Required & Available GPM | | Charge per Benefited Front Foot of the Applicant's Premises | |
| 8 | | to | 750 | \$ 32.05 |
| | 751 | to | 1,250 | 33.09 |
| | 1,251 | to | 1,750 | 34.45 |
| | 1,751 | to | 2,250 | 36.28 |
| 10 | | to | 750 | \$ 38.75 |
| | 751 | to | 1,250 | 39.72 |
| | 1,251 | to | 1,750 | 41.06 |
| | 1,751 | to | 2,250 | 42.98 |
| | 2,251 | to | 2,750 | 45.36 |
| | 2,751 | to | 3,250 | 46.34 |
| 12 | | to | 750 | \$ 47.57 |
| | 751 | to | 1,250 | 48.63 |
| | 1,251 | to | 1,750 | 49.89 |
| | 1,751 | to | 2,250 | 51.80 |
| | 2,251 | to | 2,750 | 54.20 |
| | 2,751 | to | 3,250 | 55.19 |
| | 3,251 | to | 3,750 | 58.71 |
| | 3,751 | to | 4,250 | 59.56 |
| | 4,251 | to | 5,000 | 61.77 |
| 14 | | to | 750 | \$ 59.47 |
| | 751 | to | 1,250 | 60.33 |
| | 1,251 | to | 1,750 | 61.39 |
| | 1,751 | to | 2,250 | 63.21 |
| | 2,251 | to | 2,750 | 65.04 |
| | 2,751 | to | 3,250 | 66.38 |
| | 3,251 | to | 3,750 | 70.50 |
| | 3,751 | to | 4,250 | 71.57 |
| | 4,251 | to | 5,000 | 74.14 |

| Size of Water Main Inches | Range of Fire Flow Required & Available GPM | | Charge per Benefited Front Foot of the Applicant's Premises |
|---------------------------------|---|----------|---|
| 16 | | to 750 | \$ 71.36 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 72.42 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 73.67 |
| | 1,751 | to 2,250 | 75.88 |
| | 2,251 | to 2,750 | 78.09 |
| | 2,751 | to 3,250 | 79.71 |
| | 3,251 | to 3,750 | 84.62 |
| | 3,751 | to 4,250 | 85.97 |
| | 4,251 | to 5,000 | 89.02 |
| 18 | | to 750 | \$ 85.66 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 86.91 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 88.44 |
| | 1,751 | to 2,250 | 91.02 |
| | 2,251 | to 2,750 | 93.72 |
| | 2,751 | to 3,250 | 95.63 |
| | 3,251 | to 3,750 | 101.58 |
| | 3,751 | to 4,250 | 103.11 |
| | 4,251 | to 5,000 | 106.87 |
| 20 | | to 750 | \$ 102.83 |
| | 751 | to 1,250 | 104.28 |
| | 1,251 | to 1,750 | 106.11 |
| | 1,751 | to 2,250 | 109.25 |
| | 2,251 | to 2,750 | 112.42 |
| | 2,751 | to 3,250 | 114.72 |
| | 3,251 | to 3,750 | 121.83 |
| | 3,751 | to 4,250 | 123.64 |
| | 4,251 | to 5,000 | 128.15 |

The charges for pipe sizes or fire flows different than listed herein will be based on an engineering estimate of costs. Where the existing fronting water main has more capacity than will be needed to satisfy the domestic and fire protection service requirements of a proposed development, said development shall be responsible to pay the charge for only the Local System Improvement (frontage) Charge for the fire and domestic flow demands and the size of pipe necessary to meet said demands.

After evaluation of the costs of the District, the Engineer will review the above charges on January 1 of every year and make a recommendation to the Board to adjust these charges accordingly.

SECTION 10. Rule 3-A-11k of Part 3 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts is hereby amended to read as follows:

3-A-11k For the District to process water service applications including issuance of standard plans and specifications, inspection of the installation, processing of a new account for billing purposes, and data entry of a new account, the following charges shall apply:

FOR ALL WATERWORKS DISTRICTS, EXCEPT WATERWORKS DISTRICT NOS. 29 AND 40

| Service Connection Only Installation* | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Service Connection Size | Meter Size | First Installation | Each Additional Installation* |
| 1-inch | 3/4x1-inch | \$ 339.00 | \$ 168.00 |
| 1-inch | 1-inch | 339.00 | 168.00 |
| 1 1/2-inch | 1 1/2-inch | 506.00 | 168.00 |
| 2-inch | 2-inch | 589.00 | 168.00 |
| Over 2-inch | Over 2-inch | ** | ** |

| Service Connection Size | Meter Size | Meter Only Installation | Meter & Service Connection Installation at the same time |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 1-inch | 3/4x1-inch | \$ 98.00 | \$ 437.00 |
| 1-inch | 1-inch | 98.00 | 437.00 |
| 1 1/2-inch | 1 1/2-inch | 98.00 | 604.00 |
| 2-inch | 2-inch | 98.00 | 687.00 |
| Over 2-inch | Over 2-inch | ** | ** |

| Service Connection Size | Meter Size | Each Additional* Complete Installation |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---|
| 1-inch | 3/4x1-inch | \$ 266.00 |
| 1-inch | 1-inch | 266.00 |
| 1 1/2-inch | 1 1/2-inch | 266.00 |
| 2-inch | 2-inch | 266.00 |
| Over 2-inch | Over 2-inch | ** |

* When all applications are received at one time and installations are to occur approximately at the same time.

** Costs will be determined as needed by the Engineer.

FOR WATERWORKS DISTRICT NOS. 29, MALIBU AND 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY:

| Service Connection Only Installation* | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Service Connection Size | Meter Size | First Installation | Each Additional Installation* |
| 1-inch | 3/4x1-inch | \$ 590.00 | \$ 292.00 |
| 1-inch | 1-inch | 590.00 | 292.00 |
| 1 1/2-inch | 1 1/2-inch | 880.00 | 292.00 |
| 2-inch | 2-inch | 1,025.00 | 292.00 |
| Over 2-inch | Over 2-inch | ** | ** |

| Service Connection Size | Meter Size | Meter Only Each Installation | Meter & Service Connection Installation at the same time |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|--|
| 1-inch | 3/4x1-inch | \$ 170.00 | \$ 760.00 |
| 1-inch | 1-inch | 170.00 | 760.00 |
| 1 1/2-inch | 1 1/2-inch | 170.00 | 1,050.00 |
| 2-inch | 2-inch | 170.00 | 1,195.00 |
| Over 2-inch | Over 2-inch | ** | ** |

| Service Connection Size | Meter Size | Each Additional Complete Installation* |
|-------------------------|-------------|--|
| 1-inch | 3/4x1-inch | \$ 463.00 |
| 1-inch | 1-inch | 463.00 |
| 1 1/2-inch | 1 1/2-inch | 463.00 |
| 2-inch | 2-inch | 463.00 |
| Over 2-inch | Over 2-inch | ** |

* When all applications are received at one time and installations are to occur at the same time.

** Costs will be determined as needed by the Engineer.

After evaluation of the costs of the District, the Engineer will review the above charges on January 1 of every year and make a recommendation to the Board to adjust these charges accordingly.

SECTION 11. Rule 4-A-1k of Part 4 of the Rules and Regulations of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District is hereby added to read as follows:

4-A-1k WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 29, MALIBU:

1. All lands lying within the boundaries of Waterworks District No. 29, as of July 1, 1966 and for which the Waterworks District has, at any time prior to July 1, 1966, provided water service or for which the Waterworks District was as of July 1, 1966, providing water service, are hereby deemed not to be subject to the Capital Improvement (acreage) Charges of said Waterworks District, except as stated in the first paragraph of Rule 4-A-1 and Rule 1-A-49 and any applicable parts of this subrule.
2. All lands lying within the boundaries of Waterworks District No. 29, as of July 1, 1966, not previously provided with water service prior to July 1, 1966, or not being provided with water service as of July 1, 1966 by the District and lying outside of the areas defined in the parts of the subrule, other than Part 3, are hereby subject to a Capital Improvement Charge as follows, except as stated in Rule 1-A-49, less applicable credits defined in Rule 1-I-2a, b and c. No credit, pursuant to Rule 1-I-2d, is applicable to the lands of the area of Part 3 of this subrule.

Land where there is no fire flow requirement for the premises,
Per acre~~\$1,267.00~~ \$2,281.

Lands where the fire flow requirement of the premises is:

| Fire Flow @ 20 psi (gpm) | | Duration | Charge Per Acre | |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|------------------------|----------------|
| 0 | to 750 | 2 Hours | \$ 1,393.00 | <u>\$2,507</u> |
| 751 | to 1,250 | 2 Hours | 1,459.00 | <u>\$2,626</u> |
| ,251 | to 1,750 | 2 Hours | 1,585.00 | <u>\$2,853</u> |
| 1,751 | to 2,250 | 2 Hours | 1,713.00 | <u>\$3,083</u> |
| 2,251 | to 2,750 | 2 Hours | 1,840.00 | <u>\$3,312</u> |
| 2,751 | to 3,250 | 3 Hours | 1,964.00 | <u>\$3,535</u> |
| 3,251 | to 3,750 | 3 Hours | 2,090.00 | <u>\$3,762</u> |
| 3,751 | to 4,250 | 4 Hours | 2,217.00 | <u>\$3,991</u> |
| 4,251 | to 5,000 | 5 Hours | 2,344.00 | <u>\$4,219</u> |

For other conditions of fire flow and duration, the per acre charge will be based on an engineering estimate of costs.

WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 29, MALIBU: (continued)

3. All lands lying within the boundaries of the area of the District known as that area of service of the former water purveyors listed in this subrule, including all lands fronting, backing, or siding on the water mains of the water system acquired by the District from said water purveyors, receive no credit pursuant to Rule 1-I-2d against the Capital Improvement Charges remaining after consideration of credits applicable, pursuant to said Rule 1-I-2a, b and c. Rule 1-A-49 shall also apply.

| Water Purveyor | B/S Agreement No. | Date Approved |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| L.F.C. Water Company | 4405 | June 13, 1961 |
| Topanga Oaks Mutual Water Co. | 4636 | June 20, 1961 |
| Beincourt Water System | 4670 | July 5, 1961 |
| Big Rock Mesa Water System | 4896 | August 29, 1961 |
| Topanga Canyon Mutual Water Co. | 4898 | August 29, 1961 |
| Veteran Springs Mutual Water Co. | 4942 | September 19, 1961 |
| Topanga Park Mutual Water Co. | 4975 | September 26, 1961 |
| Las Tunas Water Co., Ltd. | 4955 | July 17, 1962 |
| Oceans Mutual Water Co. | 6492 | January 22, 1963 |
| Deerpath Mutual Water Co. | 6586 | February 15, 1963 |
| Topanga Beach Water Assoc. | No Agreement | 1964 |
| Hillside Water Co. | S.C.C. No. 860535 | November 23, 1965 |
| Malibu Water Company | 16999 | September 15, 1970 |

4. All lands lying within the District as of the effective date of this Rule part not previously served with water service, or presently served and is requesting a larger metered water service, is hereby subject to a Capital Improvement (Billing Unit) Charge of ~~\$1,466.00~~ \$2,639 per billing unit. The Capital Improvement (Billing Unit) Charge for upgrading the metered service from the smaller to the larger size will be the difference in the billing units multiplied by said amount. No credits of Rule 1-I-2 are applicable to the charge of the Rule.

5. Capital Improvement (Tank Capacity Unit) Charge

All lands not previously served with water service within or annexing to the District or presently served and requesting a larger metered service and/or requiring a greater fire protection capability shall be subject to a Capital Improvement (Tank Capacity Unit) Charge as defined in the Tank Capacity Units Chart within this part of the subrule, in addition to the Capital Improvement (Acreage) Charge defined elsewhere in this Rule. The Capital Improvement (Tank Capacity Unit) Charge for a new water service will be the Billing Units for the respective size of the metered service multiplied by the fire flow demand units, referred herein as "tank capacity units" (see table), times the calculated dollar amount of the Capital Improvement (Tank Capacity Unit) Charge as defined below in this subrule. The Capital Improvement (Tank Capacity Unit) Charge for upgrading an existing metered service from the smaller to the larger size will be the difference in the dollar amount represented the tank capacity units of the existing meter multiplied by the charge in effect at the time of the existing meter was installed and the tank capacity units of the new meter multiplied by the amount of the charge as defined below in this subrule. Applicable credit may be given for this charge as defined in Rule 1-A-50b.

The calculated dollar amount per Tank Capacity Unit for those developments not entering into agreements with the District shall be..... \$861.

The dollar amount per tank capacity unit for negotiated agreements between developers and the District shall be set by the District Engineer and approved by the Board of Directors.

Notwithstanding the above provisions or any other District Rules, the District may allow a developer to sell its excess Capital Improvement (Tank Capacity) Units to other developers or individuals whose property has not been previously served by the District, or those developers or individuals upgrading an existing service.

After evaluation of the costs of the District, the Engineer will review the above charges on January 1 of every year and make a recommendation to the Board to adjust these charges accordingly.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT
WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 29, MALIBU
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (TANK CAPACITY UNIT) CHARGE

TANK CAPACITY UNITS
(BILLING UNITS & FIRE FLOW DEMAND UNITS)

DOMESTIC AND FIRE SPRINKLERS METERS FIRE FLOWS (Public or Private-On-Site whichever is larger)

| <u>Billing</u> | <u>Meter Flow</u> | <u>Tank Capacity</u> | <u>Fire Flow</u> | <u>Duration</u> | <u>Fire Flow</u> | <u>Demand Units</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| <u>Meter Size</u> | <u>(gpm)</u> | <u>Units</u> | <u>(gpm)</u> | <u>(Hrs)</u> | <u>(Thousands of</u> | <u>(F.F.D.U.)**</u> |
| <u>(Inches)</u> | | <u>*(B.U.)</u> | | | <u>gallons)</u> | |
| 3/4 & smaller | 30 & less | 1 | 0 - 500 | 2 | 60 | 1.0 |
| 1 | 50 | 2 | 501 - 750 | 2 | 90 | 1.5 |
| 1 1/2 | 100 | 3 | 751 - 1,000 | 2 | 120 | 2.0 |
| 2 | 160 | 5 | 1,001 - 1,250 | 2 | 150 | 2.5 |
| 4 | 500 | 17 | 1,251 - 1,500 | 2 | 180 | 3.0 |
| 6 | 1,000 | 33 | 1,501 - 2,000 | 2 | 240 | 4.0 |
| 8 | 1,600 | 53 | 2,001 - 2,500 | 2 | 300 | 5.0 |
| 10 | 2,300 | 77 | 2,501 - 3,000 | 3 | 540 | 9.0 |
| 12 | 3,000 | 100 | 3,001 - 3,500 | 3 | 630 | 10.5 |
| | | | 3,501 - 4,000 | 4 | 960 | 16.0 |
| | | | 4,001 - 4,500 | 4 | 1,080 | 18.0 |
| | | | 4,501 - 5,000 | 5 | 1,500 | 25.0 |

* For meters over 2 inches, the number of Billing Units will be determined by adding together all domestic and sprinkler fire protection flows to the premises and dividing by 30 (30 being the gallons per minute equivalent to one billing unit).

** Actual number of units to be calculated by multiplying fire flow in gpm by duration in minutes divided by 60,000 gallons.

EXAMPLES: Typical developments:

1. Single family residence: Public Fire Flow = 1,250 gpm = 2.5 F.F.D.U., 3/4 x 1 domestic water meter = 1 B.U.; 1 B.U. x 2.5 F.F.D.U. = 2.5 Tank Capacity Units.
2. Multi-residential & Office Buildings: Fire Flow 2,000 gpm, five (5) 2-inch domestic water meters [(5 meters) x 5 B.U.] x 4 F.F.D.U. = 100 Tank Capacity Units.
3. Shopping Center, Private System: Private Fire Flow 1,250 gpm, Public Fire Flow 2,500 gpm; 3 - 1 1/2-inch water meters [(3 meters) x 3 B.U.] x 5 F.F.D.U. = 45 Tank Capacity Units.
4. Landscape meter: No Public Fire Flow (Use Lowest Value) = 1 F.F.D.U., 2-inch water meter = 5 B.U.; 5 B.U. x 1 F.F.D.U. = 5 Tank Capacity Units.
5. FMCT meters: Total domestic flow divided by 30 = number of billing units Domestic Flow = 650 gpm / 30 = 22 B.U. Fire Flow = 2,750 gpm = 8.25 F.F.D.U.; 22 B.U. x 8.25 F.F.D.U. = 181.5 Tank Capacity Units.

**NOTICE OF A PROPOSED WATER RATE INCREASE FOR
LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 29, MALIBU**

On August 10, 2006, staff from the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 29, Malibu, held a public information meeting at Malibu City Hall regarding proposed increases in water rate and connection fees. A notice of this meeting was sent to you on July 31, 2006. The estimated additional revenue from the rate increase is \$740,000 for FY 06/07 and \$1,863,000 for FY 07/08. The average monthly water bill is estimated to increase by approximately \$18. Upon adoption, this increase will be in effect until further notice.

Since the last water rate increase in 1996, the cost of purchased water has increased by nearly 10 percent; and therefore, we are proposing an eight percent water rate increase for Fiscal Year 06-07. Additionally, we plan to increase the Surcharge from \$0.25 to \$0.50 per hundred cubic feet. The generated revenue from the Surcharge is needed for a new water supply connection to provide constant water pressure to the District during high demand periods and to offset a 47 percent increase in the Construction Cost Index since the Surcharge was last increased in 1993.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has scheduled a public hearing to consider any protests on this matter for **Tuesday, October 24, 2006, at 9:30 a.m.**, in the Hearing Room of the Board of Supervisors, Room 381B, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street (corner of Temple Street and Grand Avenue), Los Angeles California 90012. At the public hearing, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors will consider all protests against the proposed fee or charge. If written protests against the proposed fee are presented by a majority of the owners of parcels receiving service, the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 29 will not impose the fee or charge. Notice of the public hearing will be published in a local newspaper during the two weeks preceding the date of the hearing. Written comments must be received prior to the conclusion of the above public hearing by the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 29, Malibu, Waterworks and Sewer Maintenance Division, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91803-1460.



Upon 72 hours notice, the Districts can provide program information and publication in alternate formats or make other accommodations for people with disabilities. In addition, program documents are available at our main office in Alhambra (900 South Fremont Avenue), which is accessible to individuals with disabilities. To request accommodations ONLY, or for more ADA information, please contact our departmental ADA Coordinator at (626) 458-4081 or TDD (626) 282-7829, Monday through Thursday, from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Si no entiende esta noticia ó si necesita mas información, favor de llamar al numero (626) 300-3345.

INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR PUBLISHING
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

TO: Executive Officer
Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

FROM: Department of Public Works
Waterworks and Sewer Maintenance Division

NOTICE OF HEARING

**PROPOSED WATER RATE INCREASES, TIERED-WATER RATE STRUCTURE,
AND INCREASES IN THE WATER SUPPLY CHARGES FOR LOS ANGELES
COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 29, MALIBU**

Publishing

That the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors shall cause notice of the public hearing, in the form and manner specified in Sections 66016 and 6062a of the Government Code, to be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Malibu Times, a newspaper published and circulated in the County of Los Angeles, which is hereby designated for that purpose, and such publication to be completed not less than ten days prior to the date of said hearing.

Forward five reprints of the attached advertisement to the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Waterworks and Sewer Maintenance Division, P.O. Box 1460, Alhambra, California 91802-1460.

Should there be any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Manuel del Real of this office at (626) 300-3300, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED TIERED-WATER RATE STRUCTURE AND INCREASES IN WATER
RATES AND WATER SUPPLY CHARGES FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 29, MALIBU

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on October 24, 2006, at 9:30 a.m., in the Hearing Room of the Board of Supervisors, Room 381, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street (corner of Temple Street and Grand Avenue), Los Angeles, California 90012, in the matter of adopting a Resolution to implement a tiered-water rate structure and to increase water rates and Water Supply Charges for the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 29, Malibu (District).

The purpose of the recommended action is to increase the District's water rates by eight percent to fund the District's operation and maintenance costs and capital improvement projects. The District's water rates were last increased in 1996. Specifically, the proposed rate increase is needed to offset: 1) a 10 percent increase in the cost of purchased water from the West Basin Municipal Water District; 2) 20 percent increase in power costs; and 3) a 23.5 percent increase in the District's operation and maintenance costs.

The District proposes to increase the Construction Facilities Surcharge from \$0.25 to \$0.50 per hundred cubic feet. The Surcharge was last increased in 1993. The increase is needed to: 1) offset a 47 percent increase in the Construction Cost Index since 1993; and 2) fund a new water supply connection with the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California water system that will provide the District with constant water pressure during summer high-demand periods.

The District proposes to implement a tiered-water rate structure to promote water conservation in the District. The District's water rate will consist of three tiers, conservation tier, normal tier, and excessive tier. The tiered structure is designed such that approximately 90 percent of the District's customers' water use falls in either the conservation tier or the normal tier. Only ten percent of customers will be charged the excessive tier rate for the incremental amount of water above the normal tier limit. The quantities of water allowed in each tier will be adjusted in summers and winters to reflect the seasonal variation in demand.

Water Supply Charges for new development and new service connections are proposed to be increased by 80 percent and modified to be consistent with charges in other Districts. These charges have not been increased since 1986, and the increases are needed to offset increases in the costs of engineering design, labor and material.

The Board of Supervisors will consider and may approve these actions as recommended by the Director of Public Works. For information on water rate schedules for specific service areas or for any other information regarding this matter, please call (626) 300-3300.

Information regarding the District's financial analysis for the water rate and new connection fee increases will be available ten days prior to the date of the public hearing.

Para mas informacion en relacion a esta noticia, favor de llamar al numero (626) 300-3308. Nuestra horas de oficina son de 7:00 a.m. a 5:45 p.m., de lunes a jueves.